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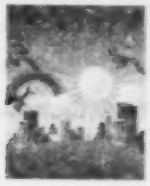

Official meetings

Wednesday, 23 March 2011

Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . 6503rd meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Post-conflict peacebuilding

   Report of the Peacebuilding Commission on its fourth session (S/2011/41)

General Assembly
Sixty-fifth session

H.E. The Honourable Giorgio Napolitano, President of the Republic of Italy, will address the General Assembly on Monday, 28 March 2011, at 10.15 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall.

General Assembly
Sixty-fifth session

There will be a plenary meeting of the General Assembly to consider sub-item (a) of agenda item 122 (Cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union) (A/65/382) on Monday, 28 March 2011, in the General Assembly Hall, immediately following the address by the President of the Republic of Italy.

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General Assembly

Sixty-fifth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 129 (Programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011):

Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council: United Nations Office in Burundi and United Nations representative to the International Advisory and Monitoring Board (A/65/328/Add.6, A/65/328/Add.6/Corr.1 and A/65/602/Add.1); and

Standards of accommodation for air travel (A/65/348, A/65/386, A/65/632, A/65/338 and A/65/338/Add.1)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 129 (Programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011):

Revised estimates resulting from the entry into force of the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (A/65/628 and A/65/739); and

Conditions of service and compensation for officials, other than Secretariat officials, serving the General Assembly: full-time members of the International Civil Service Commission and the Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/65/676 and A/65/767)

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

1. Support account for peacekeeping operations

2. Executive meeting

International Civil Service Commission
Seventy-second session

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2 (NLB)
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2 (NLB)
	Report of the Working Group on the review of the General Service salary survey methodologies	[7 (a)]

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

Human Rights Committee
One hundred and first session

10 a.m.[1]	Closed meeting	Conference Room 4 (NLB)
Morning[2]–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 4 (NLB)
3–6 p.m.	Open meeting	Conference Room 4 (NLB)

[1]Meeting of the Bureau.
[2]To be held following the adjournment of the meeting of the Bureau.

Economic and Social Council

Committee for Development Policy
Thirteenth session

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7 (NLB)
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7 (NLB)

General Assembly

Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee for the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries
Informal consultations

There will be open-ended informal consultations of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee on the outcome of the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, *today*, 23 March 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Twenty-seventh session

There will be closed meetings of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf *today*, 23 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., at the Geographic Information System laboratories (Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Economic and Social Council

Committee for Development Policy
Thirteenth session

Briefing

Members of the Committee for Development Policy. Professors Giovanni Andrea Cornia, Sakiko Fukuda-Parr, Hans Opschoor and Frances Stewart, will hold a briefing on the outcome of the deliberations of the Committee on the United Nations development agenda beyond 2015, *today*, 23 March 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB). All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Ana Cortez, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail cortez@un.org).

Commission on Population and Development
Briefing

The Chair of the Commission on Population and Development, H.E. Mr. Brian G. Bowler (Malawi), will hold an informal briefing on the programme of work of the forty-fourth session of the Commission, *today*, 23 March 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB). All interested members of delegations, representatives of non-governmental organizations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

Informal consultations on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

Wednesday, 23 March 2011

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on causes of conflict in Africa (under agenda item 62 (b) of the sixty-fifth session of the General Assembly (New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support: Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa)) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E (NLB)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening the role of mediation in peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution" (under agenda item 33 of the sixty-fifth session of the General Assembly (Prevention of armed conflict)) (convened by the Permanent Missions of Finland and Turkey, on behalf of the Group of Friends of Mediation)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E (NLB)

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 23 March 2011

International Criminal Court: Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties

8.45–9.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8 (General Assembly Building)

Group of 77 (on the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee for the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C (NLB)

Group of 77 (on the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) and the Fifth Committee)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Group of 77 (on the themes of the humanitarian affairs segment of the 2011 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council)

4.30–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

African Group (informal consultations on the draft resolution on the cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union (under agenda item 122 (a) of the sixty-fifth session of the General Assembly))

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E (NLB)

Group of Friends United against Human Trafficking (at the expert level)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C (NLB)

Other activities

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Wednesday, 23 March 2011

Special event on the occasion of the International Day of Remembrance of Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade (25 March) on the theme "The living legacy of 30 million untold stories" (General Assembly resolution 62/122 (A/RES/62/122)) (co-organized by the Caribbean Community and the African Group, in collaboration with the Department of Public Information)

[Details on the activities on the occasion of the International Day can be found at <www.un.org/en/events/slaveryremembranceday/>.]

Global videoconference for educators on "New approaches to teaching African history and the legacy of the transatlantic slave trade"

From 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Yvonne Acosta, DPI (e-mail acostay@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7214).]

Informal interactive workshop on "Green economy — Opportunities and concerns" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Egypt, Gabon, Grenada, Hungary, Indonesia, Mexico, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Sweden and Switzerland)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact Ms. Natalie Ulrich, Permanent Mission of Switzerland (e-mail natalie.ulrich@eda.admin.ch).]

UNU Worldwide in New York Series on "Coping with global environmental change, disasters and security" (organized by the United Nations University Office in New York (UNU-ONY))

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8 (General Assembly Building).

[All are invited to attend. For further information and to register, please visit <www.ony.unu.edu>; or contact Ms. Portia Gama, UNU-ONY (e-mail gama@unu.edu; tel. 1 (212) 963-6387).]

Meeting of the Friends of the International Criminal Court on Security Council resolution 1970 (S/RES/1970 (2011)) (with the President of the Assembly of States Parties, the Vice-President of the International Center for Transitional Justice and the Focal Point of the Friends of the International Criminal Court for the Security Council) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Finland)

From 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[The meeting is open to permanent missions, permanent observer missions and non-governmental organizations. For further information, please contact Mr. Arto Haapea, Permanent Mission of Finland (e-mail arto.haapea@formin.fi; tel.1 (212) 821-0229).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Wednesday, 23 March 2011

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-fifth session

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its 25th meeting, to consider the report of the Secretary-General on strengthening the management capacity of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (A/65/705), under agenda item 51, on Thursday, 24 March 2011, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB). Delegations wishing to take the floor on the report are invited to contact the secretariat of the Committee *in advance* (Ms. Maria Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4422)).

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Thursday, 24 March 2011, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

General Assembly

Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee for the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries

Informal consultations

There will be open-ended informal consultations of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee on the outcome of the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, as follows:

Thursday, 24 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB);

Friday, 25 March 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB);

Monday, 28 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB);

Tuesday, 29 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB);

Wednesday, 30 March 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB); and

Thursday, 31 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Second session

The second session of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee for the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries will be held from Monday, 4, to Friday, 8 April 2011, at United Nations Headquarters. The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document A/CONF.219/IPC/7.

Delegations wishing to participate in the work of the second session of the Preparatory Committee are kindly requested to forward the names of their representatives to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Timur Alasaniya (c/o Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1531; room IN-608C; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

All delegates are invited to consult relevant background information on the preparatory process at <www.un.org/wcm/content/site/ldc/home>. For more information, please contact Ms. Cinthya Marquez, OHRLLS (e-mail marquez1@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4509).

Disarmament Commission

Organizational session

The Disarmament Commission will hold its organizational session on Monday, 28 March 2011, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB). All Member States are invited to attend.

2011 substantive session

The 2011 substantive session of the Disarmament Commission will be held from Monday, 4, to Thursday, 21 April 2011. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 4 April, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB). Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Secretariat (tel. 1 (212) 963-1201). The Secretariat would also appreciate it if delegations could communicate to the Disarmament and Peace Affairs Branch (fax 1 (212) 963-5305), *as soon as possible*, the names of representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Commission.

Committee on Contributions

Seventy-first session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-first session at Headquarters from Monday, 6, to Friday, 24 June 2011.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly, *no later than Friday, 20 May 2011*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248 of the Assembly. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Fifth session

Sierra Leone configuration

An informal meeting (open) of the Sierra Leone configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Friday, 25 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Economic and Social Council
Informal informal consultations

Informal informal consultations, convened by the Facilitator (Bahamas), on the report of the ninth session of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration (E/2010/44), will be held on Thursday, 24 March 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

Commission on Population and Development
Forty-fourth session

The forty-fourth session of the Commission on Population and Development will be held from Monday, 11, to Friday, 15 April 2011. The first meeting will be convened on Monday, 11 April, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document E/CN.9/2011/1 and the proposed organization of work, in document E/CN.9/2011/L.1. Background information and official documents for the session may be found at the following address: <www.un.org/esa/population/cpd/cpd2011/cpd44.htm>.

List of participants

Members of the Commission and observers wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room IN-613C; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Member States that are not members of the Commission and other observers are also requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session. Only those observers who indicate their participation *by Thursday, 7 April*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of Conference Room 1 (NLB) on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

List of speakers

The general discussion under agenda item 4 (General debate on national experience in population matters: fertility, reproductive health and development) will be held from Monday, 11, to Wednesday, 13 April 2011. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for item 4 or other items are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Commission (Ms. Maria Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org ; tel. 1 (917) 367-4422; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

Election of the Bureau of the forty-fifth session

The Commission will hold the first meeting of its forty-fifth session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chair and other members of the Bureau, immediately following the closure of its forty-fourth session.

Forthcoming informal consultations on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on causes of conflict in Africa (under agenda item 62 (b) of the sixty-fifth session of the General Assembly (New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support: Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa)) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

Thursday, 24 March 2011, from 9.30 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International Day of Friendship" (under agenda item 15 of the sixty-fifth session of the General Assembly (Culture of peace)) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Paraguay)

Monday, 28 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

Other forthcoming meetings

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Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

Friday, 25 March 2011, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

Asian Group (monthly meeting)

Friday, 25 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

Eastern European Group (monthly meeting)

Monday, 28 March 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

United Nations Development Programme (second meeting in the process of consultation with Member States on the *Human Development Report 2011*)

Wednesday, 30 March 2011, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (monthly meeting)

Thursday, 31 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Special events on the occasion of the International Day of Remembrance of Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade (25 March) on the theme "The living legacy of 30 million untold stories" (General Assembly resolution 62/122 (A/RES/62/122)) (co-organized by the Caribbean Community and the African Group, in collaboration with the Department of Public Information)

[Details on the activities on the occasion of the International Day can be found at <www.un.org/en/events/slaveryremembranceday/>.]

DPI/NGO briefing on "The living legacy of the victims of the transatlantic slave trade: Their stories"

Thursday, 24 March 2011, from 10.15 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Gail Bindley-Taylor Sainté, DPI (e-mail sainte@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).]

Living Legacy Concert

Friday, 25 March 2011, at 7 p.m. in the General Assembly Hall.

[For further information, please contact Mr. Crispin Gregoire, DPI (e-mail gregoirec@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3246).]

Special event on the occasion of the International Day for the Right to the Truth concerning Gross Human Rights Violations and for the Dignity of Victims (24 March) (General Assembly resolution 65/196 (A/RES/65/196))

Panel discussion to commemorate the life and achievements of Monsignor Óscar Arnulfo Romero (organized by the Permanent Mission of El Salvador)

Thursday, 24 March 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mrs. Mirna Farfán, Permanent Mission of El Salvador (e-mail mfarfan@rree.gob.sv; tel. 1 (212) 679-1616).]

Special event on the occasion of the International Day of Nowruz (21 March) (General Assembly resolution 64/253 (A/RES/64/253))

Special concert performance in celebration of the International Day of Nowruz (co-sponsored by the Permanent Mission of Turkey and the International Organization of Turkic Culture (TÜRKSOY))

Thursday, 24 March 2011, at 6 p.m. in the General Assembly Hall.

[Delegates may contact their respective mission directly to obtain tickets.]

Panel discussion on "Addressing economic and social justice and legal pluralism in conflict-affected societies" (for the report of the Secretary-General to the Security Council on the rule of law and transitional justice in conflict and post-conflict societies) (organized by the Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group, with the support of Rule of Law Unit, Executive Office of the Secretary-General, and the International Development Law Organization)

Friday, 25 March 2011, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact Ms. Miriam Lang, Rule of Law Unit (e-mail lang3@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3107).]

Panel discussion on "Transformative policies for decent work in the least developed countries" and launch of the ILO report entitled "Growth, Productive Employment and Decent work in Least Developed Countries" (in preparation for the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (Istanbul, Turkey (9-13 May 2011))) (co-organized by the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (UN-OHRLLS))

Tuesday, 29 March 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information please contact Ms. Amber Barth, ILO (tel. 1 (212) 697-0150).]

OLA/UNITAR seminar on "International Treaty Law and Practice"

Tuesday, 12 April 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB); and

Wednesday, 13 April 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. Registration is required and available at the following address: <www.unitar.org/event/new-york>. For queries related to registration, please contact Ms. Soukeyna Fall, UNITAR (e-mails info@unitarny and org/falls@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196). For queries related to the course programme, please contact Mr. François Richard, UNITAR (e-mail francois.richard@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021).]

UNITAR orientation course for new members of permanent missions on the work of the United Nations

Monday, 25 April 2011, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB);

Tuesday, 26 April 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB);

Wednesday, 27 April 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB);

Thursday, 28 April 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB); and

Friday, 29 April 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

[Registration is required and available at <www.unitar.org/event/new-york>. For queries related to registration, please contact Ms. Soukeyna Fall, UNITAR (e-mail falls@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196); or Mr. François Richard, UNITAR (e-mail francois.richard@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021).]

Forthcoming meetings held away from Headquarters

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

Special meeting on "Prevention of terrorism"
Palais de l'Europe, Strasbourg, France

The Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism, supported by the Council of Europe, will hold a special meeting with international, regional and subregional organizations, on "Prevention of terrorism", from Tuesday, 19, to Thursday, 21 April 2011, at the headquarters of the Council of Europe, Strasbourg, France. Member States that are not members of the Security Council are invited to participate as observers. The provisional agenda can be consulted at <www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/specialmeetings/2011/index.html>.

For information concerning substantive issues, please contact Mr. David Scharia, Legal Officer, Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED) (e-mail scharia@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 457-1092). Questions concerning administrative issues may be addressed to Ms. Liv Tigerstedt, Associate Political Affairs Officer, CTED (e-mail tigerstedt@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 457-1261).

Announcements

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered. The first round of language-specific informational meetings for this year will be held in April 2011, in Conference Room D (NLB), according to the following schedule:

Tuesday, 26 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Arabic*

Tuesday, 26 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Chinese*

Wednesday, 27 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *English*

Wednesday, 27 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *French*

Thursday, 28 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian*

Thursday, 28 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish*

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Offices of the Security Council Secretariat Branch (room 08083, 730 Third Avenue (between 45th and 46th Streets); tel. 1 (212) 963-5258).

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

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Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

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Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 22 March 2011

Security Council

6500th meeting

The situation in Afghanistan

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (S/2011/120)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Afghanistan, at his request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2011/147, submitted by Germany.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2011/147) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2011/147) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1974 (2011).

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Afghanistan.

6501st meeting — *The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Oscar Fernandez-Taranco, Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs.

The Council heard a briefing by Mr. Fernandez-Taranco.

6502nd meeting — *Non-proliferation*

Briefing by the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1737 (2006)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Security Council heard a briefing by H.E. Mr. Néstor Osorio, Permanent Representative of Colombia and Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1737 (2006).

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, the United Kingdom, Germany, India, the Russian Federation, Portugal, Brazil, South Africa, Gabon, France, Nigeria and Lebanon, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of China.

H.E. Mr. Osorio responded to comments.

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Convention on the Law of the Non-Navigational Uses of International Watercourses. New York, 21 May 1997

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Grains Trade Convention, 1995. London, 7 December 1994

Extension of time-limit for the deposit of instrument of accession until 30 June 2011

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

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H.E. Mr. Milan Jaya Nyamrajsingh Meetarbhan

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H.E. Mr. Hamid Al Bayati

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